From Maj Gen Sayler

As our elected leaders in D.C. have ended the federal shutdown, we are now in the process of calling back to work the 100 or so Federal Technicians and Idaho Military Division employees who were ineligible for recall under the Pay Our Military Act. However, the order to do so comes from a continuing resolution signed by the President, which means it's still not 'business as usual' for the federal government. We need to continue our operations under the constraints of the Fiscal Year 2013 spending limitations.

We're still in the process of sorting out exactly what this all means and new information continues to flow to us from the National Guard Bureau, but one thing we do expect is for those Federal Technicians who were furloughed to receive back pay for the time they were away; stand by for more information.

We anticipate the November UTA will take place as scheduled, and Army and Air Guard personnel have already been advised about how to make up for the lost October UTA periods.

This shutdown has been a difficult experience for everyone involved. But the bottom line is, we're now back to being the complete team we need to accomplish our dual missions of service to the State of Idaho and to our nation.

More information can be found in the "Government Shutdown Information" folder at http://inghro.idaho.gov/

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